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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Caine et al. )  
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For: A Keypad and Method for )  
Detecting the Selection of One )  
of a Plurality of Key Inputs )  
Associated with a Single )  
Keystroke )  
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Serial No.: 10/769,258 )  
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Filed: January 30, 2004 )  
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Examiner: Piziali, J. )  
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Art Unit: 2629 )

**RESPONSE after FINAL**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

Responsive to an Office Action made final, mailed December 22, 2006, and the subsequently filed Notice of Appeal and Pre-Appeal Brief Request for Review, filed March 22, 2007, the present amendment is being filed in conjunction with an appeal brief supporting the previously filed appeal, in response to the Notice of Panel Decision from Pre-Appeal Brief Review, indicating that the applicant should proceed to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences. The present amendment attempts to make even more clear aspects of the claims which have been the subject of a rejection, under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, which has been raised relative to the claims. The present amendment does not raise any new issues, which would necessitate a further search, and is believed to place the application in better condition for appeal by reducing the number of issues to be addressed on appeal.